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Agree on SDS management/performance being their Achilles Heel.

1. I realise that I am stepping out my depth (Steven/Dennis) but I believe the advice they will have is that an SDS Breach is an Infraco breach, but not pre award. What they focused on (Richard Walker and the BB project team immediately post award) was making sure they had arguments about design shift from Due Diligence to 14th May - hence the arguments about what did or did not constitute BDDI. I also believe that SDS approached the continuation of the design mandate very defensively, but perhaps later realised that BSC were not managing them tightly.

From memory, SDS's proposition to tie and to BSCAs at May 2008 was that the scheme design would be substantially complete and at IFC to support BSC construction programme by late summer 2008. Something has gone badly awry.

kind regards

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Steven/Frank/Susan,

Our friends from BB(UK) were thrown by “why wont the design be completed until August?”.

Their response was somewhat flustered:

- “It will be substantially complete by end of February – there will only be insignificant items left after that”
- “The problem is St. Andrew’s Square”.
- “The problem has been getting approvals from CEC etc. “

They didn’t blame **tie** but they de facto accepted that SDS haven’t performed. Frankly their response showed that they haven’t given it much thought. They couldn’t respond to [Windsor Bridge at Leith Walk] being delayed by track-slab compatibility.

Design is their MUDFA.

Please schedule out the IFC’s yet to be delivered and any reasons why they have not been delivered.

Reference to the sketches titled “Sites Available” to BSC. I make the following suggestions

- Designated Works Areas.

- Date it clearly (Larger Font and day-month-year.
- Enter date when available for exclusive license.
- Up-date weekly.
- Copy to Walker, Flynn and Campo.

What is the story behind South Gyle Access Bridge?

I also suggest that you enter the expected date for full possession of outstanding work areas to become available (up-dated weekly).

Put a foot note:

“The earliest dates for possession are our best estimates based on the knowledge available to us at the date of issue.”

The sketches should also make note of which areas are subject to traffic management restrictions and those which may require CEC etc approval.

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